# ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE TOWN OF

# Kensington

New Hampshire

For the Year Ending December 31

1955

As Compiled By The Town Officers

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of the

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, HIGHWAY AGENT,
TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC TRUST FUNDS,
TAX COLLECTOR, TOWN CLERK,
PLANNING BOARD,
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT., BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL TREASURER, THE LIBRARY
TRUSTEES AND TREASURER

of the

# Town of Kensington

NEW HAMPSHIRE

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## TOWN OFFICERS

**Moderator**
John W. York

**Supervisors of the Check List**
J. Clark Jacobs — John R. Perfect
H. Russell Crowell

**Town Clerk**
D. Everett Palmer

**Selectmen**

| | |
|---|---|
| Gustave Lambert | Term Expires March 1956 |
| John W. York | Term Expires March 1957 |
| James R. Rosencrantz | Term Expires March 1958 |

**Treasurer**
Harry L. Steeves

**Tax Collector**
Doris P. Swift

**Auditors**
Harold Y. Smith — Mildred Chase

**Trustees of Public Library**
Katherine M. Cram — Thomas R. Powers
Josephine Sanborn Crowell

**Trustees of Trust Funds**
Marian P. Kimball — Melvin G. Armstrong
Howard Blake

**Board of Education**
Carl Caspar (1956) — Leslie C. Briggs (1957)
Charles H. Bickford (1958)

**School Treasurer**
Josephine Sanborn Crowell

**Road Agent**
Horace O. Evans

**Constables**

George Graves

John Crowell

**Dog Constable**

George Graves

**Board of Health**

Harry L. Steeves

**Fire Warden**

Horace O. Evans

**Deputies**

Sumner Card

Frank Rosencrantz

John York

Melvin Armstrong

## TOWN WARRANT

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### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Kensington in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Kensington on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, next, at 10:30 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same. The Selectmen's estimated expenditures for the year 1956 amount to $17,607.86.

3. To see if the Town wishes to allow discount on Taxes paid within 30 or 60 days after presentation of Tax bills and determine the amount thereof.

4. To vote on the basis of payment and the amount thereof to be paid the Tax Collector for collection of Taxes.

5. To see if the Town will grant the Selectmen authority to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.

6. To see if the Town will vote (by ballot) to adopt the provisions of the Municipal Budget Law.

7. In the event the Town votes affirmatively on the foregoing article, to see if the Town will elect six members to the Town Budget Committee, two to hold office one year, two to hold office two years, and two to hold office three years.

8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to name a committee to work with the Selectmen to procure land for a Town Dump and make provision for payment of such land.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 to repair Wild Pasture Road from Route 150 to the residence of Arthur Evans.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 to repair the West School Road from Route 107 to the residence of Cecil A Comfort.

11. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-seventh day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

GUSTAVE LAMBERT,
JAMES R. ROSENCRANTZ,
JOHN W. YORK,

Selectmen of Kensington

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

GUSTAVE LAMBERT,
JAMES R. ROSENCRANTZ,
JOHN W. YORK,

Selectmen of Kensington

# TOWN BUDGET

## SOURCES OF REVENUE

| | Estimated 1955 | Actual 1955 | Estimated 1956 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **From State:** | | | |
| Interest & Dividends Tax | $ 1,200.00 | $ 1,622.15 | $ 1,500.00 |
| Savings Bank Tax | 75.00 | 33.17 | 50.00 |
| Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing wood & timber | | 1,445.19 | |
| Reimbursement a/c Old Assistance | | 35.11 | |
| **From Local Sources Except Taxes:** | | | |
| Dog Licenses | 300.00 | 278.40 | 300.00 |
| Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees | 8.00 | 8.00 | 8.00 |
| Int. Received on Taxes & Deposits | 250.00 | 289.38 | 250.00 |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 2,400.00 | 2,771.39 | 2,500.00 |
| **CASH SURPLUS** | 6,399.88 | 6,399.88 | 3,479.48 |
| **From Local Sources Other Than Property Taxes:** | | | |
| Poll Taxes — Reg. @ $2.00 | 550.00 | 506.00 | 500.00 |
| Total Revenue From All Sources Except Property Taxes | $11,182.88 | $13,388.67 | $ 8,587.48 |
| **Amount To Be Raised by Property Taxes** | | | $48,860.28 |
| **TOTAL REVENUES** | | | $57,447.76 |

## PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

| | Approp. 1955 | Actual Expend. 1955 | Estimated Expend. 1956 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **General Government:** | | | |
| Town Officers Salaries | $ 1,400.00 | $ 1,483.00 | $ 1,700.00 |
| Town Officers Expenses | 1,000.00 | 945.70 | 1,000.00 |
| Election & Registration Expense | 150.00 | 144.60 | 400.00 |
| Expenses Town Hall & Other Town Buildings | 1,000.00 | 257.34 | 400.00 |
| **Protection of Persons & Property:** | | | |
| Police Department | 100.00 | 50.00 | 100.00 |
| Fire Department | 250.00 | 5.84 | 750.00 |
| Insurance | 100.00 | 218.54 | 150.00 |
| Civil Defense | 250.00 | 250.00 | |
| **Health:** | | | |
| Health Department | 25.00 | | 25.00 |
| Vital Statistics | | .10 | |
| **Highways & Bridges:** | | | |
| Tar Account | | 1,401.49 | |
| Town Maintenance—Summer | 2,500.00 | 1,148.40 | 3,500.00 |
| Town Maintenance—Winter | 1,500.00 | 485.50 | 2,000.00 |
| Street Lighting | 150.00 | 113.88 | 150.00 |
| Gen. Exp. of Highway Dept. | 500.00 | 482.71 | 500.00 |
| Town Road Aid | 242.90 | 242.90 | 242.86 |
| Installing Culvert | | 329.00 | |
| **Libraries** | 500.00 | 500.00 | 550.00 |
| **Public Welfare:** | | | |
| Town Poor | 250.00 | 75.22 | 1,000.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 1,000.00 | 983.78 | 1,000.00 |
| **Patriotic Purposes:** | | | |
| Memorial Day | 125.00 | 250.00 | 125.00 |
| Marine Memorial Fund | 25.00 | | |
| **Public Service Enterprises:** | | | |
| Cemeteries | 300.00 | 233.75 | 300.00 |
| **Unclassified:** | | | |
| Taxes Bought By Town | | 559.16 | |
| Dog Damage | 100.00 | 71.00 | 100.00 |
| Social Security | 50.00 | | |
| **Interest:** | | | |
| On Temporary Loans | 150.00 | 75.56 | 100.00 |
| On Long Term Notes & Bonds | 30.00 | 30.00 | 15.00 |
| **Outlay For New Construction** | 2,000.00 | 8,000.00 | |
| **Payment On Principal of Debt:** | | | |
| Long Term Notes | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| **Payments to Other Governmental Div.:** | | | |
| Head Taxes | | 1,492.00 | |
| County Taxes | 2,300.00 | 2,004.88 | 2,300.00 |
| School Taxes | 30,298.50 | 26,024.52 | 39,839.90 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | $47,296.40 | $48,858.87 | $57,447.76 |

## SELECTEMEN'S REPORT

### INVENTORY

| | |
|---|---|
| Land and buildings | $917,860.00 |
| Electric Plants (2) | 138,248.00 |
| Horses (7) | 500.00 |
| Cows (287) | 22,200.00 |
| Other Neat Stock (53) | 2,880.00 |
| Sheep and Goats (75) | 1,400.00 |
| Hogs (30) | 600.00 |
| Fowls (6,490) | 4,368.00 |
| Portable Mills | 3,000.00 |
| Wood, Lumber etc. | 11,550.00 |
| Gasoline Pumps and Tanks | 450.00 |
| Stock in Trade | 7,700.00 |
| Mills and Machinery | 2,900.00 |
| Total Gross Valuation | $1,113,656.00 |
| Less Veteran's exemptions | 40,200.00 |
| Taxable net valuation | $1,073,456.00 |

### APPROPRIATIONS

| | |
|---|---|
| Town Officers' Salaries | $1,400.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 1,000.00 |
| Social Security | 50.00 |
| Election and Registration Expenses | 150.00 |
| Town Hall and buildings | 1,000.00 |
| Police Department | 100.00 |
| Fire Department | 250.00 |
| Civil Defense | 250.00 |
| Health Department | 25.00 |
| Town Road Aid | 242.90 |
| Town Maintenance (winter and summer) | 4,000.00 |
| New Construction | 2,000.00 |
| General Expenses of Highway Department | 500.00 |
| Insurance | 100.00 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Street Lighting | 150.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 1,000.00 |
| Public Relief | 250.00 |
| Libraries | 500.00 |
| Memorial Day | 125.00 |
| Cemeteries | 300.00 |
| Marine Memorial | 25.00 |
| Dog Damage | 100.00 |
| Payment on Debt | 1,180.00 |
| County Tax | 2,004.88 |
| School Tax | 28,124.41 |
| Total Town & School Appropriations | $44,827.19 |

## ESTIMATE BY WHICH TAX RATE WAS DETERMINED

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Total Town and School Appropriation | | $44,827.19 |
| Less estimated revenue: | | |
| Interest and Dividends Tax | $1,624.15 | |
| Savings Bank Tax | 56.16 | |
| Reimbursement a/c growing wood and lumber | 1,154.31 | |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 2,400.00 | |
| Dog Licenses | 300.00 | |
| Business Licenses and Permits | 8.00 | |
| Total Revenues and Credits | | $5,542.62 |
| | | $39,284.57 |
| Plus Overlay | | 140.54 |
| Net amount to be raised by taxation | | $39,425.11 |
| Less 283 Poll Taxes at $2.00 | | 566.00 |
| Amount to be raised by property taxes | | $38,859.11 |

Tax Rate — $3.62 per $100.00

# COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1955

| | Title of Appropriation | Approp. | Receipts | Total Amount Available | Expenditures | Unexpended Balance | Overdraft |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Town Officers' Salaries | $ 1,400.00 | $ | $ 1,400.00 | $ 1,483.00 | $ | $ 83.00 |
| 2. | Town Officers' Expenses | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 945.70 | 54.30 | |
| 3. | Election and Registration | 150.00 | | 150.00 | 144.60 | 5.40 | |
| 4. | Town Hall Expenses | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 257.34 | 742.66 | |
| 5. | Social Security | 50.00 | | 50.00 | | 50.00 | |
| 6. | Police Department | 100.00 | | 100.00 | 50.00 | 50.00 | |
| 7. | Fire Department | 250.00 | | 250.00 | 5.84 | 244.16 | |
| 8. | Civil Defense | 250.00 | | 250.00 | 250.00 | | |
| 9. | Insurance | 100.00 | | 100.00 | 218.54 | | 118.54 |
| 10. | Health | 25.00 | | 25.00 | | 25.00 | |
| 11. | Town Maintenance—Summer | 2,500.00 | | 2,500.00 | 2,549.89 | | 49.89 |
| 12. | Town Maintenance—Winter | 1,500.00 | | 1,500.00 | 485.50 | 1,014.50 | |
| 13. | Town Construction | 2,000.00 | | 8,000.00 | 8,000.00 | | |
| 14. | General Expenses of Highway | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 811.71 | | 311.71 |
| 15. | Town Road Aid | 242.90 | | 242.90 | 242.90 | | |
| 16. | Library | 500.00 | | 500.00 | 500.00 | | |
| 17. | Public Welfare | 250.00 | | 250.00 | 75.22 | 174.78 | |
| 18. | Old Age Assistance | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 983.78 | 16.22 | |
| 19. | Street Lighting | 150.00 | | 150.00 | 113.88 | 36.12 | |
| 20. | Memorial Day | 125.00 | | 250.00 | 250.00 | | |
| 21. | Cemeteries | 300.00 | | 300.00 | 233.75 | 66.25 | |
| 22. | Dog Damage | 100.00 | | 100.00 | 71.00 | 29.00 | |
| 23. | Taxes Bought By Town | | | | 496.24 | | |
| 24. | Abatements | | | | 62.92 | | |
| 25. | Interest | 180.00 | | 180.00 | 105.56 | 74.44 | |

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 26. | Principal of Debt | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | | |
| 27. | County Tax | 2,300.00 | | 2,300.00 | 2,004.88 | 295.12 | |
| 28. | School Tax For 1954 | | | 9,300.04 | 9,300.04 | | |
| 28. | School Tax For 1955 | 28,124.41 | | 28,124.41 | 16,724.48 | 11,399.93 | |
| 29. | State Head Tax | | 1,492.00 | 1,492.00 | 1,492.00 | | |
| 30. | Payment on Temporary Loans | | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 | | |
| 31. | Marine Memorial | 25.00 | | 25.00 | | 25.00 | |
| | TOTALS | $45,122.31 | $11,492.00 | $72,039.35 | $58,858.75 | $14,302.88 | $563.14 |

## TOWN BALANCE SHEET

### ASSETS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash balance in bank | $7,309.39 | |
| Uncollected taxes, 1955 | 8,699.03 | |
| Uncollected taxes, 1954 | 236.34 | |
| Uncollected taxes, 1953 | 8.41 | |
| State Head Taxes, 1955 | 310.00 | |
| State Head Taxes, prev. years | 80.00 | |
| Unredeemed taxes | 496.24 | |
| | | $17,139.41 |

### LIABILITIES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Due schools | $11,399.93 | |
| Due State, head taxes | 535.00 | |
| Due long term town notes | 1,000.00 | |
| Due Marine Memorial | 25.00 | |
| Due Town Hall (painting) | 700.00 | |
| | | $13,659.93 |
| Surplus over current liabilities | | 3,479.48 |

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

D. Everett Palmer, Town Clerk

January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

### DOG TAX FOR 1954

Dr.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Received: | | | | |
| For 2 female dogs | @ | $5.00 | $10.00 | |
| For 1 spayed female | @ | 2.00 | 2.00 | |
| For 2 fines | @ | .50 | 1.00 | |
| | | | | $13.00 |

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|---|---|---|
| Paid Town Treasurer | $12.40 | |
| Fees retained by Clerk | .60 | |
| | | $13.00 |

### DOG TAX FOR 1955

Dr.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Received: | | | | |
| For 57 male dogs | @ | $2.00 | $114.00 | |
| For 15 female dogs | @ | 5.00 | 75.00 | |
| For 20 spayed females | @ | 2.00 | 40.00 | |
| For 3 kennel licenses | | | 49.00 | |
| For 14 fines | @ | .50 | 7.00 | |
| | | | | 285.00 |

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|---|---|---|
| Paid Town Treasurer | $266.00 | |
| Fees retained by Clerk | 19.00 | |
| | | 285.00 |

## AUTO TAX

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Received for 16 1954 permits | $28.49 | |
| Received for 416 1955 permits | 2,742.90 | |
| | | $2,771.39 |

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|---|---|
| Paid Town Treasurer | $2,771.39 |

## FILING FEES

Dr.

| | |
|---|---|
| Received for filing fees for 1955 | $8.00 |

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|---|---|
| Paid Town Treasurer | $8.00 |

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Doris P. Swift, Collector

### SUMMARY OF WARRANT
### PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES

### LEVY OF 1955

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Taxes Committed to Collector: | | |
| Property Taxes | $39,114.43 | |
| Poll Taxes | 568.00 | |
| Total Warrant | | $39,682.43 |
| Yield Taxes | | 600.98 |
| Added Taxes: | | |
| Property Taxes | | 208.15 |
| Poll Taxes | | 4.00 |
| Interest Collected | | 4.17 |
| Total Debits | | $40,499.73 |

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|---|---|---|
| Remittances to Treasurer: | | |
| Property Taxes | $29,743.89 | |
| Poll Taxes | 386.00 | |
| Yield Taxes | 414.26 | |
| Interest Collected | 4.17 | |
| Abatements | 905.66 | |
| Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List: | | |
| Property Taxes | 8,699.03 | |
| Poll Taxes | 160.00 | |
| Yield Taxes | 186.72 | |
| Total Credits | | $40,499.73 |

## PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES
## LEVY OF 1954

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Uncollected Taxes— | | |
| As of January 1, 1955 | | |
| Property Taxes | $9,343.48 | |
| Poll Taxes | 136.00 | |
| Yield Taxes | 619.58 | |
| | | $10,099.06 |
| Interest Collected During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1955 | | 284.80 |
| Total Debits | | $10,383.86 |

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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1955: | | |
| Property Taxes | $9,296.08 | |
| Poll Taxes | 114.00 | |
| Interest Collected During Year | 284.80 | |
| Yield Taxes | 399.24 | |
| Abatements Made During Year | 53.40 | |
| Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List: | | |
| Poll Taxes | 16.00 | |
| Yield Taxes | 220.34 | |
| Total Credits | | $10,383.86 |

## POLL TAXES
## LEVY OF 1953

Dr.

| | |
|---|---|
| Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1955: | |
| Poll Taxes | $8.00 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Interest collected during fiscal year ended December 31, 1955 | .41 | |
| Total Debits | | $8.41 |

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|---|---|---|
| Remittances to treasurer during fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1955 | | |
| Poll Taxes | $6.00 | |
| Interest collected during year | .41 | |
| Abatements made during year | 0.00 | |
| Uncollected taxes as per collector's list | 2.00 | |
| Total Credits | | $8.41 |

POLL TAXES
LEVY OF 1952

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1955: | | |
| Poll taxes | $6.00 | |
| Interest collected during fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1955 | 0.00 | |
| Total Debits | | $6.00 |

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|---|---|---|
| Remittances to treasurer during fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1955 | | |
| Poll taxes | 0.00 | |
| Interest collected during year | 0.00 | |
| Abatements made during year | 0.00 | |
| Uncollected taxes as per collector's list | 6.00 | |
| Total Credits | | $6.00 |

## STATE HEAD TAX
## LEVY OF 1955

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State Head Taxes Committed to Collector: | | |
| Original Warant | $1,675.00 | |
| Added Taxes | 0.00 | |
| Total Commitment | | $1,675.00 |
| Penalties Collected | | 10.00 |
| Total Debits | | $1,685.00 |

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|---|---|---|
| Remittances to Treasurer: | | |
| Head Taxes | $1,345.00 | |
| Penalties | 10.00 | |
| | | 1,355.00 |
| Abatements | | 20.00 |
| Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List | | 310.00 |
| Total Credits | | $1,685.00 |

## STATE HEAD TAX
## LEVY OF 1954

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Uncollected Taxes As of January 1, 1955 | $360.00 | |
| Added Taxes During 1955 | 0.00 | |
| Penalties Collected During 1955 | 27.50 | |
| Total Debits | | $387.50 |

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|---|---|---|
| Remittances to Treasurer During 1955: | | |
| Head Taxes | $275.00 | |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Penalties | 27.50 | |
| Abatements During 1955 | 15.00 | |
| Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List | 70.00 | |
| Total Credits | | $387.50 |

STATE HEAD TAX
LEVY OF 1953

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1955 | $20.00 | |
| Penalties collected during 1955 | 1.00 | |
| Total Debits | | $21.00 |

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|---|---|---|
| Remittances to Treasurer during 1955: | | |
| Head Taxes | $10.00 | |
| Penalties | 1.00 | |
| Abatements during 1955 | 5.00 | |
| Uncollected Head Taxes as per collector's list | 5.00 | |
| Total Credits | | $21.00 |

STATE HEAD TAX
LEVY OF 1952

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1955 | $10.00 | |
| Penalties collected during 1955 | .50 | |
| Total Debits | | $10.50 |

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|---|---|---|
| Remittances to Treasurer during 1955 | | |
| Head Taxes | 5.00 | |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Penalties | .50 | |
| Abatements during 1954 | 0.00 | |
| Uncollected Head Taxes as per collector's list | 5.00 | |
| Total Credits | | 10.50 |

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES, ACCOUNTS
As of December 31, 1955

TAX SALE ON ACCOUNT OF LEVY

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Taxes sold to town during current fiscal year | $474.00 | |
| Interest and cost collected at sale | 22.24 | |
| Total Debits | | $496.24 |

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|---|---|---|
| Remittances to Treasurer during year: | | |
| Property Tax | $474.00 | |
| Interest and cost collected | 22.24 | |
| Total Credits | | $496.24 |

I hereby certify that this report is correct to the best of my knowledge and ability.

DORIS P. SWIFT,

Tax Collector of
Kensington, N. H.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash on hand January 1, 1955 | | $7,548.32 |
| Received from Doris P. Swift, Tax Collector: | | |
| Property tax, 1955 | $29,743.89 | |
| Poll taxes | 386.00 | |
| Head taxes | 1,345.00 | |
| Head tax penalties | 10.00 | |
| Interest | 4.17 | |
| Property tax, 1954 | 9,296.08 | |
| Poll taxes | 114.00 | |
| Head taxes | 275.00 | |
| Interest | 284.80 | |
| Head tax penalties | 27.50 | |
| Yield taxes | 399.24 | |
| Yield taxes, 1955 | 414.26 | |
| Poll taxes, 1953 | 6.00 | |
| Head taxes | 10.00 | |
| Interest | .41 | |
| Head tax penalties | 1.00 | |
| Head tax, 1952 | 5.00 | |
| Head tax penalties | .50 | |
| | | $42,322.85 |
| Received from D. Everett Palmer, Town Clerk: | | |
| Auto Permits, 1955 | $2,742.90 | |
| Dog taxes | 266.00 | |
| Filing fees | 8.00 | |
| Auto Permits | 28.49 | |
| Dog taxes | 12.40 | |
| | | $3,057.79 |
| Received from Exeter Banking Co. Short term loans | | $10,000.00 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Received from State Treasurer | | |
| Payment on fire warden training school | $2.92 | |
| Interest and dividends tax | 1,624.15 | |
| Wood and timber reimbursement | 1,445.19 | |
| Recovery of Old Age Assistance | 35.11 | |
| Savings bank tax | 33.17 | |
| | | $3,140.54 |
| Received from Town of Newmarket | | |
| Recovery on Old Age Assistance | | $63.00 |
| Total | | $66,132.50 |
| Paid by order of Selectmen | | 58,823.11 |
| Balance on hand, December 31, 1955 | | 7,309.39 |

In the balance of $7,309.39 is an amount of $35.76 due the State on Social Security for the 4th Quarter. This amount has been deducted from employees.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

| | |
|---|---|
| Town Officers' Salaries | $1,473.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 945.70 |
| Town Hall Expenses | 257.34 |
| Election and Registration | 144.60 |
| Police Department | 50.00 |
| Fire Department | 5.84 |
| Civil Defense | 250.00 |
| Health Department | 10.00 |
| Dog Damage | 71.00 |
| Vital Statistics | .10 |
| Town Maintenance (Winter) | 485.50 |
| Town Maintenance (Summer) | 1,148.40 |
| State of New Hampshire, Tar Account | 1,401.49 |
| Hurricane Damage, installing culvert | 329.00 |
| Street Lighting | 113.88 |
| General Expense of Highway Department | 482.71 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Library | 500.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 983.78 |
| Town Road Construction | 8,000.00 |
| Public Welfare | 75.22 |
| Patriotic Purposes | 250.00 |
| Care of Cemeteries | 233.75 |
| Taxes Bought by Town | 496.24 |
| Tax Refund | 62.92 |
| Insurance | 218.54 |
| Interest | 105.56 |
| State Aid Construction | 242.90 |
| Temporary Loan in Anticipation of Taxes | 10,000.00 |
| Long Term Notes | 1,000.00 |
| Head Taxes | 1,492.00 |
| County Tax | 2,004.88 |
| Schools | 26,024.52 |
| | $58,858.87 |

## TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

| | |
|---|---|
| D. Everett Palmer, auto permits | $160.50 |
| D. Everett Palmer, town clerk's salary | 100.00 |
| Mildred Chase, auditor | 20.00 |
| Harold Y. Smith, auditor | 20.00 |
| John W. York, selectman's salary | 100.00 |
| James R. Rosencrantz, selectman's salary | 100.00 |
| Gutave Lambert, selectman's salary | 200.00 |
| Harry Steeves, treasurer's salary | 120.00 |
| Doris Swift, tax collector's salary | 652.50 |
| | $1,473.00 |

## TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

| | |
|---|---|
| Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies | $28.53 |
| Association of N. H. Assessors, dues | 3.00 |
| Exeter Banking Co., safe deposit box | 11.00 |
| Doris Swift, tax collector's expense | 23.00 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Whittier Press, town reports | 388.00 |
| Libby's Book Shop, supplies | 4.81 |
| Squamscott Press, printing | 71.60 |
| Edson E. Eastman Co., dog tags | 11.85 |
| Beatrice Lambert, bookkeeping & typing | 97.60 |
| Recording & Statistical Corp., Auto. Price Ed. | 1.50 |
| Kurtz Diner, dinners | 12.00 |
| Wheeler & Clark, post cards & dog notices | 4.12 |
| D. L. Garrison, U. S. Auto & Truck Guide | 8.00 |
| N. H. Tax Coll. Asso., 1954 & 1955 dues | 6.00 |
| Sargent Bros., tax collector's supplies | 15.90 |
| John W. York, expenses | 25.00 |
| James R. Rosencrantz, expenses | 25.00 |
| Gustave Lambert, expenses | 25.00 |
| Burrough's Corp., checkup of adding machine | 12.10 |
| John W. Greene, copying transfers | 12.40 |
| D. Everett Palmer, town clerk | 135.55 |
| Harry Steeves, supplies | 10.15 |
| Harold Y. Smith, auditor | 5.73 |
| John Crowell, police expense | .30 |
| State Treasurer, Social Security | 7.56 |
| | 945.70 |

## TOWN HALL EXPENSES

| | |
|---|---|
| N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone | $76.65 |
| Exeter & Hampton Electric Co., electricity | 36.04 |
| Jack Shaw, repairing table | 4.00 |
| The Curtain Shop, repairing stage curtain | 4.75 |
| Young's Hardware, janitor's supplies | 5.29 |
| Percy Dunn, janitor | 46.23 |
| Farm Bureau Insurance Co., insur. on town hall | 32.48 |
| F. B. Keene, paint | 11.90 |
| Arthur Batchelder, wood | 40.00 |
| | $257.34 |

## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

| | |
|---|---|
| Squamscott Press, printing ballots | $25.00 |
| Wilbur Boyden, Sr., gate keeper | 6.60 |
| Herman Shaw, gate keeper | 6.60 |
| Bernice Shaw, ballot inspector | 6.60 |
| Beatrice Lambert, ballot clerk | 6.60 |
| Amy Eastman, ballot clerk | 6.60 |
| Grace Gilmore, ballot inspector | 6.60 |
| John York, moderator | 8.00 |
| John R. Perfect, supervisor check list | 24.00 |
| J. Clark Jacobs, supervisor check list | 24.00 |
| H. Russell Crowell, supervisor check list | 24.00 |
| | $144.60 |

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

| | |
|---|---|
| William Wadleigh, police duty | $8.00 |
| George Graves, police duty and dog constable | 24.00 |
| John Crowell, police duty | 18.00 |
| | $50.00 |

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

| | |
|---|---|
| Horace O. Evans, fire warden's meeting | $5.84 |

## CIVIL DEFENSE

| | |
|---|---|
| Kensington Volunteer Fire Dept., siren | $250.00 |

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

| | |
|---|---|
| Harry L. Steeves, salary health officer | $10.00 |

## DOG DAMAGE

| | |
|---|---|
| Leslie C. Briggs | $25.00 |
| Elmer P. Brewer | 46.00 |
| | $71.00 |

## VITAL STATISTICS

| | |
|---|---|
| Hillsborough County Registry of Probate | $00.10 |

## TOWN MAINTENANCE (Winter)

| | |
|---|---|
| R. G. Watkins & Sons, snow removal | $485.50 |

## TOWN MAINTENANCE (Summer)

| | |
|---|---|
| Arthur Batchelder, labor | $42.00 |
| Jerry Hind, labor with tractor | 40.00 |
| Harry Philbrick, labor | 212.00 |
| Arthur Evans, labor | 4.00 |
| George Graves, labor | 47.00 |
| Horace O. Evans, truck, tractor and labor | 399.00 |
| Iofolla Crushed Stone Co., tar patch | 404.40 |
| | $1,148.40 |

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

| | |
|---|---|
| Town's share of T.R.A. | $242.90 |
| State's share | 1,619.35 |
| Balance paid by Town | 1,401.49 |
| | $3,263.74 |

## HURRICANE DAMAGE

| | |
|---|---|
| R. G. Watkins & Sons, installing culvert | $329.00 |

## STREET LIGHTING

| | |
|---|---|
| Exeter & Hampton Electric Co. | $113.88 |

## GENERAL EXPENSE OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

| | |
|---|---|
| R. G. Watkins & Sons, bulldozer and labor | $40.00 |
| Frank Young, tree removal | 60.00 |
| Weavers Bros. Construction Co., road repairs | 382.71 |
| | $482.71 |

## LIBRARY

| | |
|---|---|
| Josephine Sanborn Crowell, treasurer | $500.00 |

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

| | |
|---|---|
| State of New Hampshire | 983.78 |

## TOWN ROAD CONSTRUCTION

| | |
|---|---|
| Special Appropriation | $8,000.00 |

## PUBLIC WELFARE

| | |
|---|---|
| Rockingham County Home | $62.00 |
| Geo. W. Hilton, Agt., surplus commodities | 13.22 |
| | $75.22 |

## PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

| | |
|---|---|
| Kensington American Legion Post, Memorial Day, 1954 and 1955 | $250.00 |

## CARE OF CEMETERIES

| | |
|---|---|
| Merrimack Farmer's Exchange, supplies | $5.37 |
| Young Hardware, supplies | 2.00 |
| Arthur C Evans, lumber | 4.55 |
| James Rosencrantz, repairs on mower | 66.23 |
| Howard Blake, labor, gas and oil | 143.75 |
| Stratham Hardware & Lumber Co., supplies | 6.85 |
| Paul Steeves, labor | 5.00 |
| | $233.75 |

## TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

| | |
|---|---|
| Doris Swift, Tax Collector | $496.24 |

## TAX REFUND

| | |
|---|---|
| Edward P. Worthen, rebate on Head Tax | $5.00 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Elmer Dunn, rebate on Property Tax | 36.20 |
| Doris M. Beckman, rebate on Property Tax | 21.72 |
| | $62.92 |

## INSURANCE

| | |
|---|---|
| Perkins & Prescott, Workman's Compensation | $69.00 |
| Perkins & Prescott, Officer' Bonds | 58.50 |
| Perkins & Prescott, Liability Insurance | 91.04 |
| | $218.54 |

## INTEREST

| | |
|---|---|
| Exeter Banking Co., Stumpfield note | $30.00 |
| Exeter Banking Co., money borrowed in anticipation of taxes | 75.56 |
| | $105.56 |

## STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

| | |
|---|---|
| State of New Hampshire, T.R.A. | $242.90 |

## TEMP. LOAN IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

| | |
|---|---|
| Exeter Banking Co. | $10,000.00 |

## LONG TERM NOTES

| | |
|---|---|
| Exeter Banking Co., (Stumpfield) | $1,000.00 |

## HEAD TAXES

| | |
|---|---|
| State of New Hampshire | 1,492.00 |

## COUNTY TAX

| | |
|---|---|
| Earl Stockbridge, County Treasurer | $2,004.88 |

## SCHOOLS

| | |
|---|---|
| Josephine Sanborn Crowell, Treasurer | $26,024.52 |

## REPORT OF KENSINGTON TRUST FUNDS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Received from Trust Funds | | $60.58 |
| Paid: | | |
| To Library: Moulton Fund | $37.16 | |
| To Library: Tilton Fund | 15.92 | |
| Howard Blake, care of lots | 7.50 | |
| Total | | $60.58 |

HOWARD BLAKE,

Chairman of Trust Funds

# REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON ON DECEMBER 31, 1955

| Date of Creation | Name of Trust Fund | Purpose of Trust Fund | How Invested | Balance Beginning of Year | New Funds Created | Balance at End of Year | Balance Beginning of Year | Percent | Amount | Expended During Year | Balance End Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | PRINCIPAL | | | INCOME | | | | |
| 1912 | John F. Gill | Cemetery | Manchester Savings | $ 100.00 | 1 | $ 100.00 | $ 26.34 | 3 1/4 | $ 4.37 | $ | $ 30.71 |
| 1914 | Hannah Moulton | Library | Manchester Savings | 1,000.00 | 2 | 1,000.00 | 2.77 | 3 1/4 | 34.39 | 37.16 | |
| 1916 | Mary S. Blake | Cemetery | Manchester Savings | 100.00 | 3 | 100.00 | 2.26 | 3 1/4 | 3.50 | | 5.76 |
| 1918 | Lizzie Osgood | Cemetery | Exeter Banking Co. | 100.00 | 4 | 100.00 | 3.02 | 2 1/4 | 2.58 | | 5.60 |
| 1922 | James P. Bartlett | Cemetery | Exeter Banking Co. | 100.00 | 5 | 100.00 | .91 | 2 1/4 | 2.52 | | 3.43 |
| 1923 | George M. Gove | Cemetery | Manchester Savings | 150.00 | 6 | 150.00 | 23.09 | 3 1/4 | 6.02 | | 29.11 |
| 1925 | Ellen F. Bingham | Cemetery | Manchester Savings | 100.00 | 7 | 100.00 | 2.86 | 3 1/4 | 3.50 | | 6.36 |
| 1928 | Clara A. Rhodes | Cemetery | Manchester Savings | 100.00 | 8 | 100.00 | 2.57 | 3 1/4 | 3.49 | | 6.06 |
| 1929 | William H. Eaton | Cemetery | Exeter Banking Co. | 200.00 | 9 | 200.00 | 4.51 | 2 1/4 | 5.13 | | 9.64 |
| 1931 | Susan L. Webster | Cemetery | Manchester Savings | 200.00 | 10 | 200.00 | 7.33 | 3 1/4 | 7.12 | | 14.45 |
| 1932 | Robert T. Brown | Cemetery | Exeter Banking Co. | 200.00 | 11 | 200.00 | 9.08 | 2 1/4 | 5.25 | | 14.33 |
| 1935 | Frank L. Wadleigh | Cemetery | Exeter Banking Co. | 100.00 | 12 | 100.00 | .45 | 2 1/4 | 2.51 | | 2.96 |
| 1937 | Sarah A. Green | Cemetery | Exeter Banking Co. | 100.00 | 13 | 100.00 | .31 | 2 1/4 | 2.51 | | 2.82 |
| 1938 | Oliver Clifford | Cemetery | Exeter Banking Co. | 95.00 | 14 | 95.00 | .73 | 2 1/4 | 2.39 | | 3.12 |
| 1940 | Clara E. Kimball | Cemetery | Amoskeag Savings | 300.00 | 15 | 300.00 | 12.28 | 3 1/4 | 9.91 | | 22.19 |
| 1942 | Mary J. Smith | Cemetery | Amoskeag Savings | 200.00 | 16 | 200.00 | 13.47 | 3 1/4 | 6.74 | | 20.21 |
| 1944 | Marcia D. Tilton | Cemetery | Amoskeag Savings | 1,000.00 | 17 | 1,000.00 | 43.93 | 3 1/4 | 32.95 | 7.50 | 69.38 |
| 1944 | Mary A. Tilton | Library | Amoskeag Savings | 500.00 | 18 | 500.00 | .07 | 3 1/4 | 15.85 | 15.92 | |
| 1944 | John Wadleigh | Cemetery | Exeter Banking Co. | 150.00 | 19 | 150.00 | 1.43 | 2 1/4 | 3.79 | | 5.22 |
| 1945 | Mary E. DeRochemont | Cemetery | Amoskeag Savings | 100.00 | 20 | 100.00 | 21.99 | 3 1/4 | 3.82 | | 25.81 |
| 1948 | Benjamin Lovering | Cemetery | Exeter Banking Co. | 100.00 | 22 | 100.00 | .48 | 2 1/4 | 2.52 | | 3.00 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1948 | Frank Poor | Cemetery | Exeter Banking Co. | 200.00 | 23 | 200.00 | 7.42 | 2 1/4 | 5.20 | | 12.62 |
| 1952 | Arthur T. York | Cemetery | Amoskeag Savings | 200.00 | 25 | 200.00 | 2.44 | 3 1/4 | 6.39 | | 8.83 |
| 1952 | Charles E. Fish | Cemetery | Amoskeag Savings | 200.00 | 26 | 200.00 | 4.19 | 3 1/4 | 6.45 | | 10.64 |
| 1953 | Charles N. Robie | Cemetery | Amoskeag Savings | 200.00 | 27 | 200.00 | .52 | 3 1/4 | 6.33 | | 6.85 |
| | | | | TOTALS | | | $194.45 | | $185.23 | $60.58 | $319.10 |

## AUDITORS' REPORT

The 1955 annual audit of the several departments of the Town of Kensington has been completed, and the results of this audit filed with the State Tax Commission as required by law.

H. Y. SMITH

MILDRED L. CHASE

Auditors:

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

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### REPORT OF TREASURER

### KENSINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Year Ending Dec. 31. 1955

Dr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash on hand January 1, 1955 | $21.95 | |
| Rec. from Town Appropriation | 500.00 | |
| Rec. from Tilton Fund | 15.92 | |
| Rec. from Moulton Fund | 37.16 | |
| Rec. from American Legion Aux. | 25.00 | |
| Rec. from fines and other sources | 6.65 | |
| | | 606.66 |

Cr.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Librarian's Salary | $250.00 | |
| Janitor Service | 78.00 | |
| Light and heat | 107.08 | |
| New Books | 82.72 | |
| Miscellaneous expenses | 42.05 | |
| | | $559.85 |
| Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1955 | | $46.81 |

Respectfully submitted,

T. R. POWERS

Treasurer

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### CIRCULATION OF BOOKS FOR 1955

| | |
|---|---|
| Fiction | 1172 |
| Juvenile | 1287 |
| History | 115 |
| Biography & Autobiography | 139 |
| Adventure & Travel | 51 |
| Poetry & Drama | 21 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Science | 156 |
| Religion | 25 |
| Sociology | 33 |
| Miscellaneous Non Fiction | 58 |
| Magazines | 125 |
| Adventure in Reading | 175 |
| Total | 3,357 |

## BOOKS PURCHASED IN 1955

| | |
|---|---|
| A Doctor in the Family | Elizabeth Seifert |
| Miss Harriet Townshend | Kathleen Norris |
| Sincerely Willis Wade | John P. Marquand |
| Good Morning Miss Dove | Frances Gray Patten |
| Orchids For the Nurse | Adelaide Humphries |
| 6 On Easy Street | Betty Cavanna |
| The Joyous Hills | Peggy Gaddis |
| Desiree | Annamarie Selinko |
| Benton's Row | Frank Yerby |
| Celia's Lighthouse | Anne Malloy |
| Rain and Shine | Ardra Wayleand W. & E. M. Palk |
| Follow the Leader | Bernice Bryant |
| Lucy's Christmas | Anne Malloy |
| Eagle in the Wind | Carl Carmer |
| Death at the Dance | Carl Rhode |
| The Elk and the Evidence | Margaret Scherf |
| The Case of the Lame Canary | Erle Stanley Gardner |
| The Double Man | Helen Reilly |
| Dead Man's Plans | Mignon G. Eberhart |
| American Hero Stories | Eva March Tappen |
| Best Science Fiction 1951, | Ed. E. F. Blieler & T .E.Dexty |
| Today's Science and You | Lynn Poole |
| The First Transcontinental R. R. | Abele Nathan |
| Up and Away | P. M. McKee, M. L. Harrison and McCowen & Lehr |
| Your Rugged Constitution | Bruce A. & Esther B. Findlay |

| | |
|---|---|
| Mudlarks and Mysteries | Frank Knight |
| Mr. Wizard's Science Secrets | Don Herbert (Mr. Wizard) |
| All Around You | Jeanne Bendick |
| Find The Contellations | H. E. Rey |
| From Season to Season | Peole-Barton-Baker |
| The Battle of Britain | Quentin Reynolds |
| The Wheel on the School | Meindert de Jong |
| Slim Green | Louis Dyer and Norman Dyer Harris |
| The Christmas Forest | Louise Fatio |
| The Man Who Didn't Wash His Dishes | Phyllis Hrasilovsky—translated from the French |
| Cinderella | Marcia Brown |
| Heidi | Johanna Spyri |
| Big Black Horse | Walter Farley |
| If I Ran The Zoo | Dr. Seuss |
| Mamie Doud Eisenhower | Dorothy Brandon |
| The Birthday Picnic | Jane Pilgrim |
| The Cat Who Went To Heaven | Elizabeth Coatsworth |
| Junior The Spoiled Cat | Robert Kraus |
| Plantation Doll | Cora Cheney |
| Best Friends | Mary Bard |
| Flicka, Ricka Dicka Bake A Cake | Major Lindman |
| Treat Shop | Ed Eleanor M. Johnson & Leland B. Jacobs |
| How Far Is It To Bethlehem | Eliz Orton Jones |
| Wag By Wall | Beatrix Potter |
| Monkey Shines | Earl Schenck Miera |
| To Each His Dream | Sara Ware Bassett |
| Gift From The Sea | Anne Morrow Lindbergh |
| Enchanted Isles | Eleanor M. Johnson & Leland M. Jacobs |

Gift of Exeter Library

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Peterborough, N. H. | Vol. 1 | Narrative |
| Peterborough, N. H. | Vol. 2 | Genealogy |
| Fort Everglades | | Frank G. Slaughter |
| New Homes Under Old Roofs | | Joseph Stowe Seabury |

Assignment Churchill — Walter H. Thompson
A Train Of Powder — Rebecca West

Gift Bernard M. Baruch

Peace Through Strength

Gift of Pauline Prescott Duren

Nicholas Hilliard and Isaac Oliver
Earliest Painters in England

Gift of Mrs. Tuttle

The Night Before Christmas
Duck and His Friends

Gift of Mrs. DeRochemont

Tell Her It's Murder — D. Ames and J. B. O'Sullivan
Ladies Home Journal
McCalls
Red Book

Gift of Mrs. Stuart Everett Rowe

Smithsonian Scientific Series, Vol. 1
The Sun and the Welfare of Man, Vol. 2
Minerals From Earth and Sky and Story of Meteorites, Vol. 3
North American Indians, Vol. 4
Insects Ways and Means of Living, Vol. 5
Wild Animals In and Out of the Zoo, Vol. 6
Man From the Farthest Past, Vol. 7
Cold Blooded Vertebrates, Vol. 8
Warm Blooded Vertebrates, Vol. 9
Shelled Invertebrates of the Past and Present, Vol. 10
Old and New Plant Lore, Vol. 11
Great Inventions, Vol. 12

Gift of Mrs. Myrtle Gourley

Angel Unaware — Dale Evans Rogers

NELLIE HILLIARD,

Librarian

## REPORT OF THE KENSINGTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT
February 1, 1955 to February 1, 1956

### RECEIPTS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| February 1, 1955, cash on hand | | $654.78 |
| Received from: | | |
| Donations | | |
| Roland Sawyer, Jr. | $5.00 | |
| Fire Department Auxiliary | 250.00 | |
| Post 105 American Legion | 50.00 | |
| | | $305.00 |
| Suppers | | 34.20 |
| Use of Fire House | | 3.00 |
| Firemen's Raffle | | 2.10 |
| Town of Kensington | | 250.00 |
| Total Receipts | | $1,249.08 |

### PAYMENTS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Insurance | $204.32 | |
| Oil | 103.16 | |
| Lights | 35.07 | |
| Cards, Tickets, Ads, etc. | 19.82 | |
| Siren, and Wiring | 663.00 | |
| Equipment | 4.25 | |
| Battery for Truck | 13.54 | |
| Total Expenses | | $1,043.16 |
| Cash on hand, February 1, 1956 | | 205.92 |
| | | $1,249.08 |

H. RUSSELL CROWELL,
Treasurer

On February 6, 1956, I examined the books and reports of H. Russell Crowell, Treasurer of the Kensington Volunteer Fire Department, and found them correct, with a balance of $205.92.

HARRY L. STEEVES,

Auditor

# FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT

## BE A GOOD CITIZEN — COOPERATE

Smoking and debris burning caused more than 50 percent of the forest fires occurring in the state of New Hampshire in 1955 — 235 fires out of a total of 463 originated from these two sources. Lighted smoking material and matches thrown from moving vehicles along the highway or dropped by fishermen, hunters, hikers, berry and flower pickers accounted for 26 percent; debris burning in the wrong place or at the wrong time by those who failed to heed all pleas for safety or refused to recognize the logical, sensible rules and regulations set up under legislative authority governing the use of fire in or near woodlands accounted for more than 24 percent. This is inexcusable.

Everything possible is being done officially to remedy the situation. Since 1909 there has been a statute on our law books which requires everyone to secure written permission from the local forest fire warden before starting a fire in or near woodlands or where fire can be communicated to woodlands, unless the ground is covered with snow. A never ending program of educational work is being carried on by your local warden and state officials to inform the general public both of the value and necessity of securing the required permit for such burning. Much progress has been made, but there are still many who fail or refuse to cooperate. The value of our permit system was definitely proven in this district during the 1955 calendar year. Local wardens issued 150 permits for debris burning fires. That's a lot of permits. The records show only NO permit fires got out of control. This proves several things — while wardens were liberal in the issuance of fire permits, accommodating every applicant so far as possible, they were cautious, following closely directives outlining overall policy governing the issuance of burning permits and thoroughly instructing permit users. The latter, too, fully appreciating their responsibility in using their permits, governed themselves accordingly. Result? Much burning done legally and safe.

But what of the smokers? Despite all the efforts of those officially charged with the responsibility of preventing fires, too many were careless or thoughtless in disposing of smoking material and matches. Why? It is difficult to say. Autos are now equipped with ash trays. Why not use them. The crushing out of a cigar, cigarette and the complete extinguishment of matches before being discarded is an easy chore.

If the costly habits of the careless and indifferent smoker and debris burner could be overcome, more than half of our annual forest fires would be eliminated. Will YOU do YOUR share to bring this about?

**REMEMBER**

1. Get a written permit from your local warden before starting your debris burning or camp fire. The law requires it.
2. Make certain they are dead out before leaving them.
3. Become a safe smoker by extinguishing smoking material and matches before discarding them.

**BE A GOOD CITIZEN — COOPERATE**

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Local Fires | 7 |
| Number of Acres Burned | 0 |
| Number of Permits Issued | 37 |

MERTON A. WEBBER

District Fire Chief

HORACE O. EVANS,

Forest Fire Warden

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF

# Officers of the School District

OF THE

TOWN OF KENSINGTON ,N. H.

For the Year Beginning July 1, 1954 and Ending

June 30, 1955

## SCHOOL WARRANT

### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Kensington, N. H., qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the seventeenth day of March 1956, at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.

8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to negotiate transportation contracts up to and including three years duration.

10. To see what sum the District will raise and appropriate as a deficiency appropriation to defray excess expenses incurred in the 1955-1956 school year.

11. To see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of $450.00 for the purpose of repiping the heating plant in the two classrooms and for additional radiation in the lower grades classroom.

12. To see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of $250.00 for the purpose of performing necessary repairs to the North School.

13. To see if the District wishes to change the District meeting from afternoon to evening and determine time of same.

14. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to make applications for and to receive, in the name of the district, such advances, grants and aids or other funds for educational purposes, as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the Federal Security Agency, or any other United States government or State agencies.

15. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

LESLIE C. BRIGGS,
CHARLES H. BICKFORD,
CARL M. CASPAR,

School Board of
Kensington, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

LESLIE C. BRIGGS,
CHARLES H. BICKFORD,
CARL M. CASPAR,

School Board of
Kensington, N. H.

# SCHOOL BUDGET

| | Expenditures 1954 - 55 | Estimated Expenditures 1955 - 56 | Estimated Expenditures 1956 - 57 |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Administration:** | | | |
| Salaries of District Officers | $ 80.50 | $ 86.50 | $ 80.50 |
| Superintendent's Salary | 185.15 | 200.00 | 202.40 |
| Tax For State Wide Supervision | 186.00 | 212.00 | 232.00 |
| Salaries for other Admin. Personnel | 148.16 | 158.00 | 170.00 |
| Supplies & Expenses | 150.12 | 185.00 | 150.00 |
| **Instruction:** | | | |
| Teachers' Salaries | 5,419.00 | * 6,790.00 | 7,075.00 |
| Books & other instructional aids | 120.99 | 150.00 | 150.00 |
| Scholars' Supplies | 212.24 | 225.00 | 225.00 |
| Supplies & other expenses | 321.59 | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| **Operation of School Plant:** | | | |
| Salaries of Janitors | 551.50 | 650.00 | 650.00 |
| Fuel | 624.54 | 550.00 | 620.00 |
| Water, light, supplies & expenses | 448.96 | 300.00 | 400.00 |
| **Maintenance of School Plant:** | | | |
| Repairs & Replacements | 85.40 | 150.00 | 200.00 |
| **Auxiliary Activities:** | | | |
| Health Supervision | 181.70 | 215.00 | 200.00 |
| Transportation, high | 925.15 | 900.00 | |
| Transportation, elem. | 3,258.00 | 3,258.85 | |
| Transportation, combined | | | 4,700.00 |
| Tuition, high | 5,639.85 | 8,250.00 | 13,800.00 |
| Tuition, elementary | 3,747.53 | 5,600.00 | 7,875.00 |
| Special Funds & Activities | | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| **Fixed Charges:** | | | |
| Teachers' Retirement | 386.27 | 490.00 | 500.00 |
| Insurance, treas. bond, etc. | 290.10 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| **Contingency Fund:** | | | |
| **TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES** | **22,962.75** | **28,920.35** | **37,779.90** |
| **Capital Outlay:** | | | |
| Lands & New Bldgs. | † 7.50 | | |
| **Debt and Interest:** | | | |
| Principal of debt | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Interest on debt | 540.00 | 500.00 | 460.00 |
| **TOTAL EXPENDITURES or SCHOOL APPROP.** | **$25,510.25** | **$31,420.35** | **$40,239.90** |
| Outstanding | 77.35 | | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **RECEIPTS:** | | | |
| Balance (actual or estimate) | 198.48 | ‡ 744.80 | |
| State Aid | 1,478.33 | 2,174.09 | |
| State Construction Aid | | | 400.00 |
| Sale of School House | 750.00 | | |
| Other | 3.72 | | |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS | 2,430.53 | | 400.00 |
| DISTRICT ASSESSMENT | 23,824.52 | | 39,839.90 |
| **TOTAL RECEIPTS OR APPROP. VOTED BY SCH. DIST.** | **$26,255.05** | **$30,298.50** | **$40,239.90** |

* Present contracts plus $40 for substitutes.
† From playground fund.
‡ Playground fund $742.50.

February 14, 1956

This is to certify that on the above date, I examined the records and accounts of the School Board of Kensington, N. H., and find them correct as to methods and amounts; showing a cash balance of $2.30 and a balance of $742.50 in the Playground Fund, as of June 30, 1955.

PARKER BLODGETT, Auditor

## SCHOOL CALENDAR 1956 - 1957

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| School Opens—Sept. 5 (Wed.) | | |
| Closes—Dec. 21 (Fri.) | 75 days | 16 weeks |
| Opens—Jan. 2 (Wed.) | | |
| Closes—Feb. 15 (Fri.) | 33 days | 7 weeks |
| Opens—Feb. 25 (Mon.) | | |
| Closes—April 19 (Fri.) | 40 days | 8 weeks |
| Opens—April 29 (Mon.) | | |
| Closes—June 14 (Fri.) | 34 days | 7 weeks |
| | 182 days | 38 weeks |

Holidays:

October 18 and 19 — State Teachers' Convention
November 12 — Veterans Day
November 22 and 23 — Thanksgiving Recess
May 30 — Memorial Day

School will be dismissed at noon on September 5, November 21, December 21 and Good Friday, April 19.

## KENSINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS

### $32,000.00 @ 2%

### Payable at Exeter Banking Company

| Date | Principal | Interest | Amt. Due |
|---|---|---|---|
| June 1, 1952 | $32,000.00 | $320.00 | $ 320.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1952 | 32,000.00 | 320.00 | 2,320.00 |
| June 1, 1953 | 30,000.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1953 | 30,000.00 | 300.00 | 2,300.00 |
| June 1, 1954 | 28,000.00 | 280.00 | 280.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1954 | 28,000.00 | 280.00 | 2,280.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1955 | 26,000.00 | 260.00 | 260.00 |
| June 1, 1955 | 26,000.00 | 260.00 | 2,260.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1956 | 24,000.00 | 240.00 | 240.00 |
| June 1, 1956 | 24,000.00 | 240.00 | 2,240.00 |
| June 1, 1957 | 22,000.00 | 220.00 | 220.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1957 | 22,000.00 | 220.00 | 2,220.00 |
| June 1, 1958 | 20,000.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1958 | 20,000.00 | 200.00 | 2,200.00 |
| June 1, 1959 | 18,000.00 | 180.00 | 180.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1959 | 18,000.00 | 180.00 | 2,180.00 |
| June 1, 1960 | 16,000.00 | 160.00 | 160.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1960 | 16,000.00 | 160.00 | 2,160.00 |
| June 1, 1961 | 14,000.00 | 140.00 | 140.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1961 | 14,000.00 | 140.00 | 2,140.00 |
| June 1, 1962 | 12,000.00 | 120.00 | 120.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1962 | 12,000.00 | 120.00 | 2,120.00 |
| June 1, 1963 | 10,000.00 | 100.00 | 100.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1963 | 10,000.00 | 100.00 | 2,100.00 |
| June 1, 1964 | 8,000.00 | 80.00 | 80.00 |
| Dec. 1, 1964 | 8,000.00 | 80.00 | 2,080.00 |

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Board of Kensington, New Hampshire:

I take pleasure in submitting my eighth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

The school year 1955-1956 started with the following personnel:

Mrs. Esther Prescott, principal and teacher of Grades 4-6.

Mrs. Mildred Crowell, teacher of Grades 1-3

Mrs. Eleanor Henry, teacher of Music

Miss Mary Shea, school nurse

Mr. Douglas Robertson, teacher of Handwriting.

This is the same staff which taught in the school a year ago and it is well qualified by experience and training to give good instruction to the boys and girls.

With the opening of school it was found that there were forty students in grades 1-3 and thirty-two in grades 4-6. This immediately posed a problem, for forty students are too many for a teacher to try to instruct, especially in a multiple grade room. Also, the State Board of Education has ruled that no elementary classroom shall house forty or more students.

For these reasons, the School Board, after consulting with the Finance Committee, voted to employ a part time teacher who would work with about half of the primary youngsters on the basic subjects during the morning session.

Mrs. Pearl Marston of Hampton Falls was added to the staff and she has been doing a competent job as the part time teacher. Under this arrangement the work of the school seems to progress satisfactorily.

The enlargement and improvement of the playground area should assist the activities program of the school.

The Parent-Teacher Association continues its efforts to contribute to a better school program.

One law which was passed by the state legislature which will give financial assistance to the school district is the School Construction Aid Law. It is practically certain that the district will receive from the state twenty per cent of the annual payment of principal on the bond issue effective next July 1.

The number one problem facing most school districts would seem to be that of finding competent teachers when vacancies occur, due to the serious teacher shortage. It is estimated that the State will need five hundred new teachers each year for the next five years, at least, to handle expanding enrollment and to replace teachers who retire or leave the profession. Our two teachers colleges, at their present capacity, can provide less than one-half of this number.

Since this shortage of teachers is nation-wide and since a teacher is not restricted to a particular area, teachers can sell their services wherever they please and, like other human beings, tend to go where the rewards are the greatest. Salaries are not the only factor in the choice of teaching as a profession or in the choice of a particular job, but they are of great importance.

Educational leaders can see no relief for this problem for many years to come. Certainly anything that can be done at the local level to improve the relationship between parents and teachers and to aid the working conditions of the teachers is very important in addition, of course, to paying decent salaries.

I call your attention to the reports of the school nurse and the music teacher and the tables which follow.

I again wish to thank the citizens, the members of the School Board, and the teachers for their continued support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. HOYT,

Superintendent,
Supervisory Union No. 16

Kensington, New Hampshire
January 20, 1956

## REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The music program is planned with the purpose of giving to each pupil a variety of musical experiences, from which it is hoped that at least one will help to enrich his life. Ear-training, work with rhythm band and tonettes, music appreciation, rhythm activities, learning the fundamentals of music, note reading, part-singing and dancing are all part of the music program.

At the Memorial Day exercises, a musical program was presented by the pupils of the Kensington school.

Members of the sixth grade sang a group of songs at the May meeting of the Parent-Teacher's Association.

A musical program is planned for this coming spring.

Tonette books were purchased in the fall for the pupils of the third and fourth grades. These books are very valuable for the learning of note-reading.

At this time, I wish to thank Mr. Hoyt, the members of the Kensington School Board, the Parent-Teacher's Association, the teachers and the parents for their co-operation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR HENRY

Kensington, New Hampshire
January 14, 1956

## SCHOOL HEALTH REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

There are times when the writing of reports can become a pleasure instead of a disagreeable task. Writing Kensington's reports has always been a pleasure for me ever since I came here. I believe there is no small or large town in the state that can match your health services. This is due to the cooperation of the school board, parents and teachers, plus a small sum of money.

Your dental, medical and vision programs have been of the greatest value to each pupil and I am constantly using your program as a guide for the rest of the schools in our union.

There can be few, if any, physical handicaps left undiscovered. In nearly every case where notes have gone home suggesting that certain things be done, the parents have been most cooperative. Tonsils have been removed when necessary; teeth have been removed or filled; and glasses have been obtained. Sometimes the writing of these notes seems an endless task, but when the school nurse sees Johnny with his glasses or Mary breathing easier because her tonsils have been removed she feels deeply rewarded.

Even the pre-school clinic was one of the best attended. At this clinic all children who had not had booster shots were given them so that the school children were, as far as humanly possible, protected from serious diseases.

Because we have no preventive for Scarlet Fever as yet, a number of the children were ill with this. Fortunately, the streptococcic germs causing Scarlet Fever at this time are not virulent and most cases were very mild with no complications resulting.

I wish to thank all of you for the help you have given and hope we will have more and better health services for the school each succeeding year.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY G. SHEA, R.N.

School Nurse

Kensington, New Hampshire
January 16, 1956

## SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

**July 1, 1954 to July 1, 1955**

DR.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash on hand, July 1, 1954 | $198.48 | |
| Received from Selectmen current appropriation | 23,824.52 | |
| Received from State Treas. | 1,478.33 | |
| Received from misc. income | 791.72 | |
| | | $26,293.05 |

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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Paid by order of School Board | $25,548.25 | |
| Cash on hand, July 1, 1955 | 744.80 | |
| | | $26,293.05 |

JOSEPHINE E. SANBORN CROWELL,

Treasurer

## SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY 1954 - 1955

| | |
|---|---|
| Exeter | $2,950.32 |
| East Kingston | 148.92 |
| Greenland | 317.98 |
| Kensington | 185.15 |
| Newfields | 150.94 |
| Stratham | 271.69 |
| State's Share | 2,500.00 |
| | $6,525.00 |

## COST OF INSTRUCTION PER INDIVIDUAL PUPIL

| | 1954-1955 | 1953-1954 |
|---|---|---|
| Average number of pupils under instruction, both elemetnary and high school | 107 | 103 |
| Total expenses $25,587.60 divided by 107 equals | $239.14 | |
| As compared to $22,829.31 divided by 103 equals | | $221.64 |
| Cost of transportation, $4,183.15 divided by 107 equals | $39.09 | |
| As compared to $3,800.00 divided by 103 equals | | $36.89 |

## TABLE I

## KENSINGTON PUPILS

### Total Enrollment January 1, 1956

| Grades | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | Tot. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kensington School | 11 | 14 | 14 | 10 | 5 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 70 |
| Exeter High School | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 14 | 9 | 12 | 7 | 2 | 59 |
| St. Michael School | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Exeter Day School | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Totals | 12 | 14 | 15 | 10 | 6 | 16 | 17 | 14 | 9 | 12 | 7 | 2 | 134 |
| 1955 Comparisons | 14 | 14 | 7 | 5 | 16 | 12 | 14 | 6 | 11 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 110 |

## TABLE II

### Statistics for Ten Years Ending June 30, 1955

| School Year | Weeks | Boys | Girls | Total Pupils | Ave. Attend. | Ave. Absence | Ave. Membership | Percent of Attend. | Cases Tardiness | Visits of Supt. | Ave. Salary |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1945-46 | 37 | 21 | 26 | 47 | 39 | 3 | 42 | 93 | 2 | 49 | 1,300.00 |
| 1946-47 | 36 | 23 | 34 | 47 | 40 | 2 | 42 | 95 | 9 | 44 | 1,400.00 |
| 1947-48 | 37 | 26 | 24 | 50 | 46 | 3 | 49 | 95 | 2 | 36 | 1,800.00 |
| 1948-49 | 37 | 22 | 22 | 44 | 38 | 4 | 42 | 90 | 7 | 51 | 1,950.00 |
| 1949-50 | 38 | 29 | 23 | 52 | 47 | 4 | 51 | 93 | 4 | 56 | 2,150.00 |
| 1950-51 | 38 | 29 | 31 | 60 | 55 | 4 | 59 | 93 | 9 | 53 | 2,250.00 |
| 1951-52 | 38 | 30 | 30 | 60 | 52 | 6 | 58 | 89 | 2 | 63 | 2,250.00 |
| 1952-53 | 38 | 32 | 29 | 61 | 58 | 2 | 60 | 95 | 3 | 51 | 2,350.00 |
| 1953-54 | 38 | 37 | 36 | 73 | 67 | 3 | 70 | 95 | 13 | 46 | 2,375.00 |
| 1954-55 | 38 | 38 | 29 | 67 | 62 | 4 | 66 | 95 | 8 | 18 | 2,475.00 |

## TABLE III

### Perfect Atendance for Entire Year 1954-1955

Eugene Beckman
Charlotte Bragg
Richard Bragg
Judson Blodgett
Lloyd Steeves
Elaine Tuttle

# Vital Statistics

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN TOWN OF KENSINGTON FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1955

| Date | Place of Marriage | Name & Surname of Groom & Bride | Age in Yrs. | Color of Each | Condition | Place of Birth of Each | Name of Parents | Name, Residence, Official Station of person by whom Married |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | Arthur George | Will C. Chappell |
| Apr. 9 | Danville, N. H. | Charles Arthur George | 24 | W | 2 | Kensington, N. H. | Margaret Douglass | Clergyman |
| | | Wilma Alaine Glick | 26 | W | 2 | So. Kingston, N. H. | William A. Marple | Danville, N. H. |
| | | | | | | | Helen Gay | |
| | | | | | | | Roy B. Cole | Einar Michaelsen |
| May 28 | Stratham, N. H. | Harley Porter Cole | 20 | W | 1 | Exeter, N. H. | Mary E. Parson | Min. of the Gospel |
| | | Joanne Brown | 19 | W | 1 | Exeter, N. H. | Caryl Brown | Stratham, N. H. |
| | | | | | | | Lucy Chapman | |
| | | | | | | | Horace E. Gilman | Elizabeth H. Bragg |
| June 22 | Seabrook, N. H. | Elmer Horace Gilman | 63 | W | 2 | Woodsville, N. H. | Nettie Shurburn | Justice of the Peace |
| | | Mary Ellen Flaherty | 44 | W | 2 | Ireland | John Shea | Seabrook, N. H. |
| | | | | | | | Ellen Mercer | |
| | | | | | | | Leroy E. Dow | Richard Hoblin |
| June 25 | Kensington, N. H. | Robert John Dow | 21 | W | 1 | Newb'yport, Mass. | Eleanor Corthell | Min. of the Gospel |
| | | Shirley Alice Evans | 19 | W | 1 | Exeter, N. H. | Arthur C. Evans | Kensington, N. H. |
| | | | | | | | Mildred A. Smart | |
| | | | | | | | Arthur C. Crowell | Richard Hoblin |
| July 17 | Kensington, N. H. | Herbert Russell Crowell | 42 | W | 1 | Exeter, N. H. | Helen A. Prescott | Min. of the Gospel |
| | | Josephine Ellen Sanborn | 38 | W | 1 | Newb'yport, Mass. | Levi N. Sanborn | Kensington, N. H. |
| | | | | | | | Abbie E. Brown | |

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | John Moul | Charles J. Boland |
| Sept. 12 | Exeter, N. H. | Robert Joseph Moul | 20 | W | 1 | New Hampshire | Madeline Julia Page | Catholic Priest |
| | | Anna May West | 19 | W | 1 | New Hampshire | Roger Frederick West | Exeter, N. H. |
| | | | | | | | Mildred G. Eastman | |
| | | | | | | | Joseph W. Wilbur | Raymond W. Grasser |
| Nov. 26 | Raymond, N. H. | William Joseph Wilbur | 22 | W | 2 | Exeter, N. H. | Barbara Irving | Min. Advent Christian |
| | | Nancy Carol Bishop | 19 | W | 1 | W. Epping, N. H. | Carroll E. Bishop | Portsmouth, N. H. |
| | | | | | | | Ella Porter | |
| | | | | | | | Andrew W. Donaldson | Elbridge F. Stoneham |
| Dec. 12 | Exeter, N. H. | John Donaldson | 43 | W | 2 | Long Island, N. Y. | Edith Wetherell | Clergyman |
| | | Helen Snyder Donaldson | 38 | W | 3 | Bloomfield, N. J. | Henry D. H. Snyder | Exeter, N. H. |
| | | | | | | | Laura Way Leonard | |
| | | | | | | | Samuel H. Caldwell | Oliver C. Northcott |
| Dec. 25 | Penacook, N. H. | James Edwin Ward | 22 | W | 1 | Dorchester, Mass. | Elizabeth M. Lawless | Min. of the Gospel |
| | | Marion Jean Henry | 22 | W | 1 | Haverhill, Mass. | Clark R. Henry | Penacook, N. H. |
| | | | | | | | Eleanor Prescott | |

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.—D. EVERETT PALMER, Town Clerk.

# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1955

| Date 1955 | Name of Child | Sex | No. of Children | Liv. or Still. | Name of Father | Maiden Name of Mother | Birthplace of Father | Birthplace of Mother |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Feb. 26 | Michael Robert Gourley | M | 5 | L | Horace M. Gourley | Myrtle H. Schneider | Warner, N. H. | Fitchburg, Mass. |
| Apr. 27 | Andrew Leon Jacobs | M | 2 | L | J. Clark Jacobs | Dorothy A. Bodwell | Groton, Conn. | Exeter, N. H. |
| May 11 | Peter Nason Brewer | M | 3 | L | Elmer C. Brewer | Bernice E. Worthen | Newton, N. H. | Newburyport, Mass. |
| June 6 | Pamela Lynne Wadleigh | F | 3 | L | Wm. H. Wadleigh | Virginia M. Hellen | Exeter, N. H. | Amesbury, Mass. |
| June 7 | Robert Arthur Wadleigh | M | 2 | L | Robert E. Wadleigh | Ellen E. Eastman | Exeter, N. H. | Seabrook, N. H. |
| June 30 | Carla Gae Evans | F | 1 | L | George A. Evans | Susan N. Deaton | Exeter, N. H. | Bremerton, Wash. |
| July 10 | Darcy Jeanne Sargent | F | 2 | L | Warren L. Sargent | Clara J. Chesley | Newburyport, Mass. | Exeter, N. H. |
| Nov. 10 | Stephen Paul Dunn | M | 3 | L | Elmer D. Dunn | Shirley J. Dow | W. Newbury, Mass. | Seabrook, N. H. |
| Nov. 17 | Linda Marie Hale | F | 1 | L | Winthrop J. Hale | Lorraine M. Plourde | Kensington, N. H. | Madawaska, Me. |
| Nov. 18 | John Richard Crowell | M | 3 | L | John Crowell | Jennie Laukonis | Exeter, N. H. | Kensington, N. H. |
| Nov. 21 | Deborah Merriam Aucoin | F | 8 | L | Arthur C. Aucoin | Grace A. Gilmore | Worcester, Mass. | Exeter, N. H. |

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.—D. EVERETT PALMER, Town Clerk.

## DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1955

| Date 1955 | Name and Surname of of Deceased | Age | Place of Birth | Sex | Sin., Mar., Wid. | Name of Father | Maiden Name of Mother |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. 19 | Lavania McLane | 68 | Nova Scotia | F | Married | Hector Jackson | ————Hutchins |
| Mar. 19 | Mary Jane Smith | 78 | Wales | F | Married | William Chorlie | Elizabeth Eldis |
| Mar. 22 | James Lester Smith | 74 | Kingston, N. H. | M | Widowea | Unknown | Unknown |
| May 3 | Nellie E. Beckman | 74 | Haverhill, Mass. | F | Married | Charles Evans | Etta Herrick |
| May 11 | Eva Florence Scott | 77 | Kensington, N. H. | F | Widowed | Weare Nudd Shaw | Mary Day |
| June 24 | Leslie Norman Jackman | 56 | Newburyport, Mass. | M | Single | Charles Edward Jackman | Mary Walker |
| July 1 | Jeanne Money Bowen | 69 | Lyons, France | F | Widowed | Eugene Henry Money | Emma Cordey |
| July 26 | Roxie May Snelling | 64 | Seabrook, N. H. | F | Married | Newell Eaton | Emma F. Eaton |
| Sept. 21 | Ralph H. Sargent | 68 | Merrimac, Mass. | M | Married | Ralph H. Sargent | Lizzie Morris |
| Sept. 23 | Eliza Jane Evans | 83 | Amesbury, Mass. | F | Widowed | William Gaddis | Jane Baker |
| Nov. 18 | John Richard Crowell | 1 hr. | Exeter, N. H. | M | | John Crowell | Jennie Laukonis |

Natives and One-Time Residents Who Died During the Year, Were:

Josephine (Fish) Prendergast in Conway, N. H.
John R. Malloy in Haverhill, Mass.
Carrie Cowan in South Hampton, N. H.
Charles E. Cowan in South Hampton, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above record is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.—D. EVERETT PALMER, Town Clerk.